



ALAMO HEIGHTS City news

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Do You Love Dogs, Parks or Both?

Any citizen who would like to provide input into a conceptual design for a City dog park, is invited to attend a Public Design Workshop from 9 to 11 a.m., Saturday, February 27, in the City Council Chambers, 6120 Broadway.

Larry Clark, landscape architect with Bender Wells Clark Design, will incorporate residents' comments into the development of a conceptual design for the dog park. The workshop will provide input from the community on amenities the park might offer to make it a popular, user-friendly green space for the City.

Across the country, dog parks have become overwhelming popular for park and dog lovers alike in cities similar to

Alamo Heights. Utilizing small tracts of land, the parks offer an enclosed space where dogs can safely wander without leashes and where their owners can meet their neighbors.

"Dog parks have proven to build community," says Ann McGlone, Alamo Heights City Manager. Last year, during the Comprehensive Plan sessions, residents expressed a strong desire to create such a park for Alamo Heights to enjoy.

For more information on the February 27th workshop, contact Brian Chandler, Community Development Director at 832-2250 or bchandler@alamoheightstx.gov.

CITY COUNCIL CORNER

Susan Harwell is your Place 5 Councilmember. Councilwoman Harwell has served over 3 1/2 years on the Alamo Heights City Council and is presently serving as Mayor Pro Tem. She was born at Fort Hood and received a degree in Museum Studies at Texas Tech University. In 1979, Susan moved to San Antonio to work as a museum curator at the Institute of Texan Cultures. She and her husband, John Ferguson, have lived in Alamo Heights for over 23 years and have two children, Alec and Anne, who attend AHHS. You can reach Councilwoman Harwell at (210) 882-1516 or email sharwell@alamoheightstx.gov.



BRIEFS

Interested in being part of a new Community Garden Group?

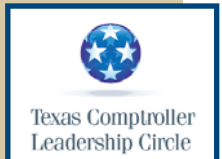


A community meeting is in the works. It is not

too late to join this group if you are interested. Contact Brian Chandler, Community Development Director, at 832-2250 or email bchandler@alamoheightstx.gov.

Recognized for Online Financial Transparency

The City was recognized by the Texas Comptroller on Jan. 7 with the Leadership Circle Award. Given to only a handful of Texas cities, the award recognizes innovative efforts to provide citizens with clear, consistent pictures of spending through an online user-friendly format.



Look What is Up in AH

The new 600,000 gallon tank Water Tower was erected on January 27 and will be completed in the next few months.



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911 for EMERGENCY
 Fire/EMS (Non Emergency): 824-1281
 Police (Non Emergency): 822-3321
 Administration and Finance: 822-3331

Public Works: 882-1518
 Water: 882-1507
 Community Development: 826-0516
 Court Clerk: 882-1501

Alamo Heights Night Moves to UIW Campus

Alamo Heights Rotary Club is moving the location of its popular Fiesta event -- Alamo Heights Night -- to the campus of the University of the Incarnate Word.

“The City has witnessed the growth of Alamo Heights Night and understands the tremendous opportunity for increased success of the event in a venue that allows for that growth to continue,” said Mayor Louis Cooper.

Since 1987, Alamo Heights Night has been staged near the Alamo Heights Swimming Pool adjacent to Olmos Basin. Increased attendance and a desire to continue to expand the event were key factors in moving the location.

The City appreciates the commitment of Alamo Heights Rotary Club continuing to support programs and projects in Alamo Heights and wishes the Alamo Heights Night event many, many years of continued success.

The 24th Annual
 Alamo Heights Night
 April 16, 2010!

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 UNIVERSITY OF
 THE INCARNATE
 WORD CAMPUS

It's Party Time
 in '09

From the Police Chief

Officer J. W. Petrash announced his retirement from the Alamo Heights Police Department and was recognized at the City Council meeting on January 25. Officer Petrash has served the Alamo Heights community for 19 years as a patrol officer and as a community resource officer. Officer Petrash was active in the community schools participating in several programs including his service as an instructor for the Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education Program (D.A.R.E.). We wish Officer Petrash the best of luck in the future and a happy retirement.



Officer JW Petrash and Police Chief Pruitt

Dangerous Consequences Concerning Teenage Sexting

The Texas Attorney General issued a recent Law Enforcement Update concerning the dangerous consequences of teenage sexting. Sexting is the practice of sending sexually explicit messages and images electronically, primarily between mobile phones. For more information visit the Texas Attorney General website at www.texasattorneygeneral.gov or contact the Alamo Heights Police Department at 832-3321.

Capital Projects Update - Broadway Construction



As part of the City of Alamo Heights Capital Improvement Plan, contractors began work on replacing water lines in Broadway, beginning at the intersection of Claywell Drive and continuing south to Blue Bonnet Boulevard. Contractors will be cutting and excavating pavement on Broadway and work will be completed in sections. Alternate north and south bound lanes of Broadway will be closed intermittently during the project.

Regular bi-weekly updates on this capital project will be provided via the City's Connect-City email blast program and on its website at <http://www.alamoheightstx.gov/cityservices/cityservices-construction.php>.

If you have any additional questions or concerns about this capital project, please contact the Public Works Department at 882-1518.

CITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

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| Monday, Feb. 15 | Holiday - City Offices Closed* | |
| Tuesday, Feb. 16 | Architectural Review Board Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| Monday, Feb. 22 | City Council Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, Feb. 27 | Dog Park Design Workshop | 9:00 a.m. |

MARCH

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| Monday, March 1 | Planning and Zoning Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 3 | Board of Adjustment Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| Monday, March 8 | City Council Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |

*Regular Solid Waste Pickup

**City Council Candidate Filing Period - Feb. 8 to March 8

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